

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN**

BRADLEY KENNETH SCHWANTES,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 24-CV-1024

KIMBERLY NIKOLAI,

Defendant.

ORDER

On April 23, 2025, the defendant filed a motion for summary judgment on the ground that *pro se* plaintiff Bradley Kenneth Schwantes failed to exhaust his administrative remedies before filing this lawsuit. (ECF No. 22.) That same day, the court issued a notice and order informing Schwantes that he had until May 23, 2025, to file a response to the defendant's summary judgment motion. (ECF No. 28.) The court cautioned Schwantes that, if by that date he did not respond to the motion or file a letter explaining why he was unable to do so, the court would accept all facts asserted by the defendant as undisputed.

To date, Schwantes has not filed a response to the defendant's motion for summary judgment. As such, the court will construe the motion for summary judgment as unopposed. The court has reviewed the defendant's motion for summary judgment, brief in support, and the undisputed facts, *see* Fed. R. Civ. P. 56(e)(2), and concludes that the defendants are entitled to summary judgment on

the exhaustion grounds. The case is dismissed without prejudice. *See Chambers v. Sood*, 959 F.3d 979, 984 (7th Cir. 2020).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the defendants' motion for summary judgment (ECF No. 22) is **GRANTED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this case is **DISMISSED without prejudice**. The Clerk of Court will enter judgment accordingly.

This order and the judgment to follow are final. A dissatisfied party may appeal this court's decision to the Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit by filing in this court a notice of appeal within **30 days** of the entry of judgment. *See* Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 3, 4. This court may extend this deadline if a party timely requests an extension and shows good cause or excusable neglect for not being able to meet the 30-day deadline. *See* Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 4(a)(5)(A).

Under certain circumstances, a party may ask this court to alter or amend its judgment under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 59(e) or ask for relief from judgment under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 60(b). Any motion under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 59(e) must be filed within **28 days** of the entry of judgment. The court cannot extend this deadline. *See* Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6(b)(2). Any motion under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 60(b) must be filed within a reasonable time, generally no more than one year after the entry of the judgment. The court cannot extend this deadline. *See* Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6(b)(2).

A party is expected to closely review all applicable rules and determine what, if any, further action is appropriate.

Dated at Milwaukee, Wisconsin this 7th day of July, 2025.

BY THE COURT

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "William E. Duffin", written over a horizontal line.

WILLIAM E. DUFFIN
United States Magistrate Judge